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Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, etc.—Continued.

SMALLPOX—Continued.

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Odessa.....	Dec. 3-Dec. 9...	3	1	
St. Petersburg.....	Dec. 3-Dec. 9...	18	3	
Warsaw.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 6...		10	
Spain:				
Corunna.....	Dec. 10-Dec. 16...	1	1	
Madrid.....	Dec. 3-Dec. 9...		7	
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Singapore.....	Nov. 5-Nov. 18...		4	
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EPIDEMIC NOTES.

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PLAGUE.

AUSTRIA.—The Austrian Lloyd steamer *Berenice*, with 50,000 bags of coffee from Santos, on board of which a plague death occurred, was reported November 13 by telegram as still at São Thiago Island, Cape Verde Islands.

PORTUGAL—*Oporto*.—From November 10–16 plague deaths were officially reported as follows: 3, 1; 1, 1; 1, 1; 2, 1; 5, 1; 2, 1; 2, 2; in all 16 cases and 8 deaths. On November 15 a plague case was reported at Villa Nova de Gaya on the left bank of the Douro.

At the Bomfin plague hospital, on November 16, 31 men and 24 women were under treatment, 13 of the cases being very severe.

From November 17–23 cases and deaths were officially reported as follows: 0, 1; 2, 0; 0, 0; 6, 0; 2, 0; 0, 3; 1, 1; in all, 11 cases and 5 deaths. On November 24, 27 men and 20 women and children were under treatment at the Bomfin plague hospital, 11 of these cases being very severe.

At Lisbon no new plague case later than that of Dr. Pestana has been reported since November 25. Rigid isolation of all persons who came in close or distant contact with the deceased has been discontinued since that date.

EGYPT—*Alexandria*.—No cases were reported from November 11–17. Official sanitary inspection of vessels leaving the port of Alexandria were suspended November 13. Certification in regard to plague was also directed to be omitted from ships' passes on that date.

Algiers.—The governor-general, on November 22, addressed a circular to consuls resident in Algiers, in which he denied the report which has become widespread in France and other countries that plague exists in Algiers, and requested the consuls to inform their government that no plague case exists in the country, and that the condition of public health in the colony and city of Algiers is as satisfactory as could be desired.

BRITISH EAST INDIES.—During the week ended October 28, 1899, 3,672 plague deaths were reported for all India, being a considerably lower number than that reported for the preceding week. In the city

of Bombay there were 76 plague deaths; preceding week, 101; in the presidency of Bombay, 3,359; preceding week, 4,430. The plague epidemic has declined in the districts of Belgaum, Satara, Dharwar, Poona, Nasik, and Ahmednuggar. It has increased in the South Mahratta States and in the Sholapur District. In Calcutta 62 plague deaths were brought to the notice of the authorities; preceding week, 47. From the Saran District of the province of Bengal no new cases were reported. In the city and district of Nagpur, according to latest advices, there were 30 plague deaths; preceding week, 50. In the State of Mysore improved conditions are reported.

CHINA.—According to advices of October 17, the plague epidemic of 1899, in the colony of Hongkong, is officially declared extinct, no new case having come to the knowledge of the authorities within eleven days.

JAPAN.—According to advices of October 25, cases of plague are again reported from Formosa. At Taipeh and Twatutia 4 cases and 2 deaths are reported among Japanese. Numerous suspect cases are reported.

MADAGASCAR—*Tamatave*.—From October 30 to November 11, 27 cases and 18 deaths were reported.

MOZAMBIQUE—*Magude*.—According to advices of October 19, 1899, only a few cases of plague are reported, but the disease is spreading into the interior. In the town of Lorenzo Marques only 1 plague suspect case was reported, but the Government had issued an order for the burning of the infected house.

RÉUNION.—From November 1-10 2 fatal cases were reported.

PARAGUAY.—The certainty of the existence of plague at Asuncion is discredited by the doubt expressed by some physicians as to the nature of the suspicious disease. The Argentine physicians report 65 or 70 cases of plague as having come under their observation. In 10 necropsies made since September 14, plague has been verified, and 6 new cases since October 2 have been clinically verified as plague. Many dead rats which have recently been found in various sections of the city have, on bacteriological examination, been found to contain great quantities of plague bacilli. The character of the epidemic has lately become more severe, having spread from the 3 original foci to different parts of the city, thus making the struggle with the disease more difficult.

According to advices from the national council of hygiene at Asuncion for the period from October 12-25, 6 plague cases, 5 suspect cases, and 8 plague deaths have occurred. At Patiño-Cue 1 death, and at Stangna 1 suspect case are reported.

CHOLERA.

BRITISH INDIA—*Calcutta*.—From October 15-28, 18 cholera deaths were reported.

TURKEY.—According to advices of November 14, the cholera which appeared among the Bedouin tribes in the vicinity of Bassora and Bagdad is spreading widely, being very prevalent at Chatra. At Djevadir, on the Persian Gulf, 380 deaths are reported up to November 1.